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SUBJECT: SIXTH COMMITTEE (LEGAL) -- TERRORISM

SUMMARY: COMMITTEE CONCLUDED CONSIDERATION OF ITEM ON DEC 7 WITH STATMENTS BY UAE, BOLIVIA, CUBA, CYPRUS AND INDIA. YEMEN, LIBYA, UGANDA, GDR, CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND UAE EXERCISED RIGHT OF REPLY TO ISRAELI STATEMENT OF DEC 6. US REPLIED TO CUBAN CHARGE OF COMPLICITY IN CUBANA AIRLINER CRASH. END SUMMARY.

1. UAE NOTED RELATION OF TERRORISM TO PREVIOUS ITEM ON TAKIN OF HOSTAGES. SAID CANNOT EQUATE NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS WITH INDIVIDUALS WHO USE TERRORISM SINCE RIGHT OF NLM'S TO FREE THEMSELVES FROM OPPRESSION HAD BEEN RECOGNIZED BY CHARTER AND IN VARIOUS UN RESOLUTIONS. CRITICIZED ISRAEL FOR EXPELLING PALESTINIAN PEOPLE, FOR REFUSING TO RECOGNIZE THE PALESTINIAN ENTITY, AND FLR REFUSING TO APPLY THE FOURTH GENEVA CONVENTION IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES. SAID THAT ZIONISTS HAD RESORTED TO TERRORISM IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND IN GREAT BRITIAN BEFORE CREATION OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL AND THEN GAVE EXAMPLES OF TERRORIST ACTIVITIES OF ISRAEL SINCE CREATION OF STATE. URGED SIXTH COMITE TO RENEW THE MANDATE OF AD HOC COMITE ON TERRORISM SO AD HOC COMITE COULD DRAW UP NEW RULES ON STATE TERRORISM.

2. BOLIVIA LAMENTED THE FACT UN WAS UNABLE TO MAKE PROGRESS ON THIS PROBLEM AND SAID FAILURE CAUSED POOR PUBLIC IMAGE
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OF ORGANIZATION. SAID THE ORGANIZATION HAS BEEN AND IS

WORKING ON THE CAUSES OF TERRORISM AND GAVE AS AN EXAMPLE THE NEAR ELIMINATION OF COLONIALISM. SAID ORGANIZATION MUST NOW WORK ON ELIMINATING TERRORISM ITSELF.

3. CUBA SAID THAT THOSE WESTERN STATES THAT TRADITIONALLY OPPOSED TERRORISM HAVE DONE SO TO PREVENT EFFECTIVENESS OF NLM'S. SAID THESE STATES ENCOURAGED TERRORIST ACTIVITY IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN IMPERIALISM AND EXPLOIT OPPRESSED PEOPLES. GAVE EXAMPLE OF ALLEGED CIA INVOLVEMENT IN OCT 6 CRASH OF CUBAN AIRLINER. ALSO CHARGED CIA WITH COMPLICITY IN VARIETY OF BOMBINGS AND PIRACY OF CUBAN FISHING SHIPS. SAID PERPETRATORS OF THESE ACTS WERE WELL KNOWN AND RESIDING IN US, YET NOTHING DONE TO APPREHEND THEM. SAID PERPETRATORS OPENLY ADVERTISED THEIR INTENTIONS, YET US AUTHORITIES DID NOTHING TO STOP THEM. SAID AGREEMENT ON INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM WAS UNNECESSARY BECAUSE IMPERIALIST STATES WILL IGNORE IT.

4. CYPRUS (ROSSIDES) SAID THAT BALANCE OF POWER WAS INEFFECTIVE WAY TO MAINTAIN WORLD PEACE AND SECURITY. SAID IT WAS UNREALISTIC TO EXPECT A DECREASE IN TERRORISM WHILE THE CAUSES OF TERRORISM REMAIN.

5. INDIA SAID CAUSES OF TERRORISM MUST FIRST BE DEALT WITH.SAID WESTERN STATES CANNOT HAVE IT BOTH WAYS, CONDEMNING TERRORISM AND DOING NOTHING TO ALLEVIATE CAUSES.

6. YEMEN EXERCISED RIGHT OF REPLY TO ISRAELI STATEMENT. SAID ARTICLES QUOTED BY ISRAEL IN SUPPORT OF ENTEBBE RESCUE OPERATION WERE FROM WESTERN SOURCES AND HENCE BIASED. RE ISRAELI ARGUMENT THAT RESCUE OPERATION JUSTIFIED BY PRINCIPLE OF DEFENSE OF NATIONALS, SAID SUCH PRINCIPLE HAD BEEN ABUSED. SAID ISRAELI ATTEMPT TO JUSTIFY OPERATION BY ARGUING UGANDA HAD BECOME "ACCOMPLICE" OF TERRORISTS MEANT ANY STATE COULD VIOLATE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF ANOTHER IF DISAGREED WITH OTHER'S POLICIES.

7. LIBYA EXERCISED RIGHT OF REPLY AND DENOUNCED TERRORISM BUT ALSO DENOUNCED RACIST REGIMES THAT CAUSED IT. SAID FIGHT AGAINST RACISM COULD NOT BE CALLED TERRORISM. UNCLASSIFIED

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8. UGANDA EXERCISED RIGHT OF REPLY AND SAID IT WAS IMPOSSIBLE FOR ISRAELI RESCUE ACTION TO BE LEGAL SINCE IT HAD BEEN CONDEMNED BY VAST MAJORITY OF STATES, INCLUDING THE OAU AND NAM. RE UGANDAN COMPLICITY, SAID RESCUE OF THE HOSTAGES HAD BEEN PLANNED BY ISRAEL LONG BEFORE DEMANDS OF TERRORISTS WERE EVEN KNOWN.

9. IN RIGHT OF REPLY, GDR SAID ISRAEL HAD BEEN CONDEMNED MANY TIMES BY UNGA AND THEREFORE NO NEED FOR GDR TO RESPOND TO ISRAELI ALLEGATIONS.

10. CZECHOSLOVAKIA EXERCISED RIGHT OF REPLY AND SAID ISRAEL HAD NO RIGHT TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF HUMANITARIANISM.

11. ISRAEL EXERCISED RIGHT OF REPLY AND SAID UAE DISTORTED FACTS CONCERNING BEGINNING OF ARAB-ISRAEL WAR. SAID UGANDA WAS WELL-KNOWN AS A BRUTAL REGIME. SAID LIBYA WAS THE GUIDING FORCE BEHIND INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM AND THAT EVEN EGYPT'S SADAT HAD RECOGNIZED THAT FACT.

12. UAE, IN RIGHT OF REPLY, CHALLENGED ISRAEL TO REFUTE ITS CHARGES THAT ISRAEL HAD RESORTED TO TERRORISM AGAINST ARAB STATES AND GREAT BRITAIN PRIOR TO THE CREATION OF STATE OF ISRAEL.

13. UNITED STATES EXERCISED RIGHT OF REPLY TO CUBAN CHARGE OF CIA COMPLICITY IN RECENT CRASH OF CUBAN AIRLINER. REGRETTED THE LOSS OF INNOCENT LIVES AND FACT THAT SOME SOUGHT CYNICALLY TO USE THIS TRAGEDY TO PROP UP THEIR AGITATION PROPAGANDA. NOTED THAT US HAD OFFERED ASSISTANCE TO FIND THE CRIMINALS, AND REITERATED DENIAL OF ANY COMPLICITY IN THE INCIDENT.

14. CUBA, IN RIGHT OF REPLY, SAID IT HAD PRESENTED SPECIFIC FACTS DEMONSTRATING US COMPLICITY IN THE INCIDENT AND THAT THESE FACTS COULD NOT BE REFUTED BY A GENERAL DENIAL. SAID IT HAD PHOTOS OF PEOPLE IN THE UNITED STATES WHO ADMITTED THEY WERE TERRORISTS. SAID MANY TERRORISTS HAD BEEN TRAINED IN THE US ARMY.

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15. UGANDA, LIBYA, ISRAEL AND UAE EXERCISED RIGHT OF REPLY IN BRIEF STATEMENTS ALONG SAME LINES OF THEIR EARLIER STATEMENTS, CONCLUDING DEBATE ON ITEM.

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